

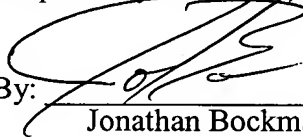
### **REMARKS**

Applicants have amended the specification to clarify the proper reference to the related applications and claim for priority. Applicants' have further cancelled the non-elected claims. No new matter has been added. Claims 22-24 are currently pending in this application.

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